**Ann Thomas Youth**

**Story Telling Contest 2014**

**Grade Brackets**

**1-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12**

The Ann Thomas Youth Story Telling Contest is open to all 1st through 12th grade students in the state of Florida. Four winners will be selected: two elementary school (1-3) & (4-5) students, one middle school (6-8) student, and one high school (9-12) student.

Winners will be announced November **15, 2014 at 3:00 pm at the Frank Thomas Folk Heritage and Music Festival.**

* Contestants must register with the Frank Thomas Folk Heritage and Music Festival: Ann Thomas Youth Story Telling Committee 9199 Bigelow Ave. Webster, FL 33597 for a 10 min. storytelling time slot. **All entries must be post marked NO LATER than 5:00p.m., EDT, Nov. 8, 2014.**
* Stories presented must be a published short story (fiction or non-fiction).
* Each student may tell only one story during their 10 minute time slot.
* 1st-5th grade contestants may have a copy of their story for personal reference during storytelling. It is important to note, however that storytelling from memory is preferred and the use of reference material MAY affect contestant’s score.
* A completed entry/parental waiver form must be received by the committee at the time of the participant’s registration. Entry forms and parental waiver forms can be obtained on the Florida Folk Heritage and Music Festival website at **crackerheritagefestival.weebly.com** under the “events” tab section “Ann Thomas Youth Story Telling and Writing Contest”
* Winners will receive a prize provided by the Florida Folk Heritage and Music Festival: Ann Thomas Youth Story Telling Contest, and will be announced publicly at 3:00pm at the festival.
* Contact festival committee at (352)467-0165 for any further questions.

**For more information, visit**

**www.crackerheritagefestival.weebly.com**